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| <p>The amendment document filed on 12 March, 2008 fails to provide the corrective action required by the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) mailed on 26 February, 2008. The amendment, including both the originally filed amendment and the amendment filed in response to the prior notice, is still considered to be non-compliant under 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the item(s) listed below is required. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be re-submitted. 37 CFR 1.121(h).</p> <p>The period for reply continues to run from the mailing date of the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. The corrections listed below must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of the application. No new time period for reply is provided in this communication. See the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 714.03.</p> <p>If the period for reply set forth in the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant: (1) corrects the deficiency, and (2) obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period or obtain an extension for more than FIVE (5) MONTHS beyond the date for reply set forth in the prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121).</p> <p>THE FOLLOWING CHECKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1. Amendments to the specification:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings. <input type="checkbox"/> B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined. <input type="checkbox"/> C. Other . </p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2. Abstract:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72. <input type="checkbox"/> B. Other . </p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3. Amendments to the drawings:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Amendments to the claims:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> A. A complete listing of <u>all</u> of the claims is not present. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following 7 status identifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn), (Previously presented), (New) and (Not entered). <input type="checkbox"/> D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. Other: See Continuation Sheet. </p> <p>For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714 and the USPTO website at http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf.</p> <p>Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner (SLIE) : /MERILYN WATTS/</p> | | | |

Continuation of 4.E Other: Claims not provided with the proper status identifier and claim 15 does not include the text of the withdrawn claim. The amendment submitted on March 12, 2008 appears to be incomplete the last page of the claims were omitted.